

# Economic Research & Analysis CostQuest Associates

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### **Model Output - Louisiana**

The results are produced by the CostQuest Wireless<sup>©</sup> model using cost inputs and support model inputs chosen by MTPCS, LLC d/b/a Cellular One ("MTPCS").

### **Support Model Parameter Definitions**

ARPU Benchmark – Average Revenue per User (ARPU) determines economic viability. Costs that exceed revenue (ARPU) are considered "negative contribution" and are supported. Nothing below the benchmark ARPU of \$40 per subscriber per month is supported.

Monthly Funding Cap – This is the funding cutoff. The model excludes funding to customers whose costs are excessive. In this scenario the Monthly Funding Cap was set at \$200 per subscriber per month.

Take Rate – Percentage of consumers and businesses that will subscribe to service.

### **Results Definitions**

Total Subscribers Supported – Number of subscribers in Census Blocks where monthly costs exceed ARPU.

Average Contribution Margin - Estimated monthly service revenues less adjustments provided by MTPCS were compared to the monthly costs of owning and operating 4G network and services to determine a contribution margin for each Census Block.

## **Output Summary**

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Model Parameters	
ARPU Benchmark	\$40
Monthly Funding Cap	\$200
Take Rate	40%
Total Subscribers Supported	214,000
Average Contribution Margin per Supported Subscriber	(\$6.64)
Total Annual Funding	\$ 17,000,000



# **Output Map - Contribution Margin by Census Block**

